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## **Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County**

### **Conference Planning Subcommittee Meeting**

**April 18, 2016**

**A meeting of the Conference Planning Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County was held on Monday, April 18, 2016, at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, Georgetown, Delaware. The following members of the Advisory Committee were present:**

**Ruth Ann Beideman  
Jamie Magee  
Scott Phillips**

**Francine Shockley  
Helen Smith**

#### **Other attendees included:**

**Anthony DelFranco  
Lois McAllister  
Tom McGraw**

**Barbara Spray  
Amber Woodland**

#### **Call to Order**

**Ruth Ann Beideman, Subcommittee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.**

#### **Approval of Agenda**

**A Motion was made by Helen Smith, seconded by Scott Phillips, to approve the Agenda as posted. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.**

#### **Planning for Annual Conference**

##### **❖ Format**

**9:00 - 9:45 a.m.    Registration/Light Refreshments/Exhibitors**



**9:45 - 10:00 a.m. Welcome**

- **Ruth Ann Beideman, Chairperson, Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County**
- **Todd F. Lawson, Sussex County Administrator**

**Introductions**

- **Lisa Bond, Deputy Director, Delaware Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD)**

**10:00 - 10:15 a.m. Recap of Last Year's Conference**

- **Ken Bock, Executive Director, CHEER, Inc.**

**10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Keynote Address – National or State figure**

**Suggestions:**

- **U.S. Representative John Carney (Ruth Ann Beideman will contact)**
- **Senator Gary Simpson**
- **Representative Harvey Kenton**
- **Brandy Nauman, Sussex County Fair Housing Compliance Officer (agreed that Ms. Nauman be asked to serve on a panel instead)**

**10:45 - 11:00 a.m. Break/Exhibitors**

**11:00 - 12:00 noon Panel 1 – Housing Options**

**Suggestions for panelists:**

- **Kevin Gilmore, Executive Director, Sussex County Habitat for Humanity (Anthony DelFranco will contact)**
- **Jessica Finan, Executive Director, Home of the Brave (Barbara Spray/Lois McAllister will contact)**
- **Craig de Mariana Aleman, Esquire, The Aleman Group and Linda Vista Real Estate Services (Amber Woodland will contact)**
- **Brandy Nauman, Sussex County Fair Housing Compliance Officer (Ruth Ann Beideman will contact)**

**The panel will discuss local housing options available to seniors, disabled veterans, and multi-cultural citizens of Sussex County. A moderator for this panel has not yet been selected.**

**12:00 - 12:45 p.m. Lunch/ Exhibitors**

**12:45 - 1:00 p.m. Ice Breaker**

**1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Panel 2 – Assistance for Homeowners**

**Suggestions for panelists:**

- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - to discuss low interest loans and grants (Scott Phillips will contact)
- Catholic Charities (Ruth Ann Beideman will contact)
- First State Community Action Agency (Francine Shockley will contact)
- Sussex County Assessment Division - to discuss tax exemptions

The panel will discuss local options available to homeowners to ensure affordable, quality housing in Sussex County. Randy Nelson, Addus HealthCare, Inc., was suggested as the moderator.

**2:00 - 2:15 p.m. Closing Remarks/Exhibitors**

- ❖ Ken Bock was suggested as a moderator again this year, along with Sally Beaumont. Anthony DelFranco will contact Mr. Bock and Ruth Ann Beideman will contact Ms. Beaumont relative to serving as a moderator.
- ❖ Cost - The Committee discussed raising the price of admission this year. Past attendees have indicated they would like to see sodas and an upgraded lunch provided. A cost of \$10.00 was proposed, and most Committee members felt this was a fair price that people would be willing to pay. A suggestion was made to charge \$10.00 to the general public and \$5.00 to senior center members that sign up and pre-pay by a specific date.
- ❖ Food Committee - Ruth Ann Beideman, Jamie Magee, and Helen Smith will work on lunch and the morning snack.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Conference Planning Subcommittee will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016, following the regular Advisory Committee meeting which is scheduled at the Sussex County Emergency Operations Center, 21911 Rudder Lane, in Georgetown. The Conference Planning Subcommittee meeting will take place at 11:30 a.m. in the meeting room at Arena's at the Airport, across from the Emergency Operations Center. Lunch will be available. Discussion will include possible vendors for the Conference. (It was noted that Sally Beaumont has expressed an interest in working with the vendors.)

**Adjourn**

**A Motion was made by Anthony Del Franco, seconded by Barbara Spray, to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Helen Smith, Acting Secretary  
Conference Planning Subcommittee**